

COUNCIL FOR HIGHER EDUCATION ACCREDITATION

RECOGNITION DECISION SUMMARY

AACSB INTERNATIONAL

In accordance with the [2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures, Paragraph 43](#), this summary of recognition status describes the formal action taken by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA) Board of Directors with regard to an accrediting organization seeking recognition by CHEA.

Profile of Accrediting Organization

Type of Accrerator: Programmatic

Number of Programs: 11,866

Current CHEA-Recognized Scope of Accreditation

AACSB International accredits degree programs in business administration and accounting at the baccalaureate, masters and doctoral levels. This accreditation is available globally. (2014)

CHEA Recognition Information

History: Recognized by CHEA in January 2002

Most Recent Recognition Action

Date: CHEA Board of Directors Meeting, January 26, 2015

Decision: Continue deferral of action on recognition

The CHEA Committee on Recognition and the Board of Directors reviewed the response to the deferral of action provided by AACSB International (AACSB). The review was based on the six CHEA recognition standards that require an accrediting organization to show that its accreditation process advances academic quality, demonstrates accountability, encourages self-scrutiny and planning, employs fair and appropriate procedures and demonstrates ongoing review of practice, and that it possesses sufficient resources to carry out its accreditation processes (*2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures*, Paragraphs 12A-12F, pp. 5-8).

The board of directors continued the deferral of AACSB pending completion of AACSB's implementation of its policy on CHEA Standard 12B.1 that requires institutions or programs routinely to provide reliable information to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or program (Standard 12B.1, *2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures*), as outlined in the plan submitted by AACSB in November 2014.

Prior action on AACSB's Application for Recognition

CHEA Board of Directors Meeting January 28, 2013: The Board of Directors deferred recognition in order to obtain additional evidence that AACSB (1) implements procedures for informing the public of the basis for final decisions to grant or reaffirm accreditation and, in the case of denial or withdrawal of accreditation, to provide specific reasons for the decision, accompanied by a response related to the final decision from the institution or program (Paragraph 12(B)(5), *2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures*); and (2) implements accreditation standards or policies that require programs to provide reliable information to the public on their performance, including student achievement as determined by the institution or program (Paragraph 12(B)(1), *2010 CHEA Recognition Policy and Procedures*).

The CHEA recognition policy requires that an accrediting organization undergo a recognition review least every 10 years and submit two interim reports.